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Interview Summary

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Date of Interview: 13 March 2009.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 17 and 32.

Identification of prior art discussed: Bent, Ebbo.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative and the examiner discussed potential amendments to the claims, including amendments to further define the "subtree" feature of the invention and to tie the "method" claims to a particular machine or apparatus. The examiner noted that further consideration and/or search would be necessary. Applicant's representative plans to file a formal written reply to the last Office action.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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